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In re Application of  
Menard et al.  
Application No. 09/596,876  
Filed: June 19, 2000  
Attorney Docket No. 12554.0004.NPUS00

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b), filed February 17, 2004, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **granted**.

This application became abandoned for failure to timely and properly reply within three months to the final Office action mailed August 20, 2002. A two-month extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) was obtained. Accordingly, this application became abandoned on January 21, 2003. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on March 12, 2003.

Petitioner has met the requirements to revive the above-identified application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b).

Effective October 1, 2003, the petition fee was increased from \$650.00 to \$665.00. Accordingly, petitioner's deposit account will be charged \$665.00 as authorized.

The file does not indicate a change of address has been submitted, although the address given on the petition differs from the address of record. If appropriate, a request to change the address of record should be filed. A courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to the address given on the petition; however, the Office will mail all future correspondence solely to the address of record.

The file is now being forwarded to Technology Center 2800 for further examination on the merits.

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